

ORDINANCE 26-_____

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BILLINGS, PROVIDING
THAT THE BILLINGS, MONTANA CITY CODE (BMCC) BE
AMENDED BY REVISING SECTION 2-552**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BILLINGS THAT:

Section 1. That Section 2-552 of the Billings, Montana City Code (BMCC) is amended so that such section shall read as follows:

Sec. 2-552. Functions and duties.

The function and duties of the Human Relations Commission shall be to:

- (1) Promote mutual understanding and respect among all;
- (2) Become informed on all matters concerning human relations and foster programs of community education with the object of improving human relations among all citizens of the community;
- (3) Review and study, and assist with complaints, problems and specific situations arising between groups or individuals which result in tensions, discrimination, or prejudice in the city;
- (4) Cooperate with and advise various groups and agencies in programs devoted to the improvement of human relations;
- (5) Inform and make recommendations to the mayor and city council concerning any matters or programs brought before the commission for the furtherance and advancement of human relations and at least once a year submit a report of its work; and
- (6) Refer all matters to the police commission department that are within its jurisdiction.

The Human Relations Commission shall meet monthly at a date and time as noted on the Commission's webpage.

Section 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall be effective thirty (30) days after second reading and final adoption as provided by law.

Section 3. REPEALER. All resolutions, ordinances, and sections of the City Code inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 4. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions of this ordinance which may be given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and, to this end, the provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable.

PASSED by the City Council on first reading the _____ day of _____, 2026.

PASSED, ADOPTED and APPROVED on second reading this _____ day of _____, 2026.

CITY OF BILLINGS

BY: _____
Mike Nelson, Mayor

Attest:

BY: _____
Denise R. Bohlman, City Clerk